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News briefs

Installation excellence award

Air Force officials this week announced Seymour-Johnson AFB, N.C. as the winner of the 2001 Installation Excellence Award.

Brig Gen Don Hoffman, 52 Fighter Wing commander, thanked the entire wing for their hard work and outstanding efforts in earning Team Eifel the U.S. Air Forces in Europe-level award and on being named one of only three installations Air Force-wide to compete as a finalist.

"I'm proud of how well this team performed not only in readying for the inspection, but throughout the entire award period," Hoffman said. "Each week I tell our newcomers it's a first goal of the wing to safely and professionally execute the mission, and at every opportunity, the people of Team Eifel rise to that challenge and make it happen."

Wing officials are evaluating suggestions on how to spend \$500,000 the base earned as a runner-up, and will make the announcement in the near future. See future editions of the Eifel Times for details.

Court-martial

An airman from the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron was found not guilty in a general court-martial here March 23.

A panel of officers and enlisted members found he was not guilty of assault with a deadly weapon and wrongful use of marijuana in violation of Articles 128 and 112a of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Senior NCO Academy

Eleven 52nd Fighter Wing senior non-commissioned officers recently graduated from the SNCO Academy at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Distinguished graduates were senior master sergeants:

■Greg Johnson, 470th Air Base Squadron, NATO Air Base, Geilenkirchen

■Coleman Schupp, NATO Allied Forces North, Kalkar Air Base, the Netherlands

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Senior Master Sgt. Michael Berg, 52nd Contracting Squadron superintendent, briefs squadron members on projected contracting humanitarian and contingency deployments.

Airman 1st Class Michelle Rougid

Wing SNCO wins AF recognition

Superintendent lauded for troop care, program improvements

By Tech. Sgt. Darrell Brewer
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

The 52nd Fighter Wing boasts the best contracting senior noncommissioned officer in the Air Force.

Senior Master Sgt. Michael A. Berg, 52nd Contracting Squadron superintendent, was recently selected as the Air Force outstanding contracting enlisted member of the year in the senior NCO category.

"I'm excited and still in awe," Berg said.

While the award is officially geared toward an individual, Berg quickly points out it's a direct reflection of the people and their accomplishments within the squadron.

"I was lucky enough to be involved in those (accomplishments)," Berg said.

During 2000, Berg was involved in many major projects including revitalizing the unit awards program; developing and implementing "Top Dollar" and various other training programs; organizing U.S. Air Forces in Europe's first Standard Procurement System Tiger Team at Aviano Air Base, Italy, and Incirlik Air Base, Turkey; and being selected as a USAFE "Top Dollar" competition evaluator and role player. He also has a 4.0 grade point average and is currently enrolled in the final course for his master's degree in human relations.

"Senior Master Sergeant Berg is a superintendent extraordinaire who really takes care of his troops," said Maj. Scott Kiser, 52nd CONS commander. "As a commander, I was truly blessed to work with a superintendent with his caliber.

Mike's been named a command-level winner four times in three different major commands. The pattern of excellence is apparent and culminates with him winning at Air Force."

Despite all the projects Berg was involved with last year, he points out that as a senior NCO his primary duty was simply taking care of the troops and always keeping an eye on morale.

"Your people are the ones that do the mission," Berg said. "If you take care of your troops, you (and the squadron) can accomplish anything."

Brig. Gen. Darryl A. Scott, deputy assistant secretary for contracting, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, presents the award to Berg during a ceremony at the Pentagon in mid-April.

Two U.S. military aviation accidents in Europe cause deaths

Compiled from staff reports

Two U.S. military aircraft accidents in the past week so far claimed the lives of an Air Force and two Army aviators.

Search and rescue teams looking for two U.S. Air Force F-15C Eagle aircraft, missing since Monday, located the body of one pilot and the wreckage of both aircraft near Ben Macdui in the Cairngorm Mountains, Scotland. The aircraft and pilots from Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England, disappeared off radar 45-minutes after taking off from the base.

As of press time, the identity of the pilot had not been determined nor the whereabouts of the other pilot. The two

aircraft were found about 400 yards apart.

Lt. Col. Kenneth Hyvonen, from the 48th Operations Support Squadron, and Capt. Kirk Jones, from the 493rd Fighter Squadron, were each piloting an F-15C when both disappeared off radar over Northern Scotland.

The search continues for the second pilot. Officials at RAF Kinloss said poor weather, some of the worst seen in 17 years, in the area was restricting the search.

Chief Warrant Officers George Graves and Lance Hill were killed Monday afternoon when their twin-engine RC-12K reconnaissance aircraft crashed near Nuremberg, Germany.

The two 205th Military Intelligence Brigade pilots were assigned to Wiesbaden, Germany.

The F-15C aircraft is a single-seat, all-weather, tactical fighter designed to gain and maintain air superiority in aerial combat. RAF Lakenheath has the only Air Force F-15 unit in Europe. The RC-12K is part of a family of Army intelligence-gathering aircraft able to fly between 20,000- and 35,000-feet high for about 5 1/2 hours without refueling. Only four Army units fly the RC-12 aircraft.

Boards of U.S. Air Force and Army officers will investigate the cause of each service's accident respectively.



Airman 1st Class Michelle Roquid

Talent fest

Joanna Booth, left, and Melodie Duperval warm up on their clarinets before the fourth annual Celebration of the Arts concert March 22. The festival, held in the Spangdahlem Air Base fitness center, featured the musical and artistic talent of Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Annex school students.

Accidents

By Senior Airman Kassandra Watts
52nd Security Forces Squadron
Reports and Analysis

Eifel-region drivers were involved in three major and 17 minor accidents this past week.

The first major accident occurred when an American driver lost control on the autobahn due to icy road conditions. After the driver lost control, the vehicle spun several times before hitting a guardrail. There were no injuries as a result of the accident.

The second major accident involved an American driver who also lost control of the vehicle after hitting pooled water on the road. The vehicle hydroplaned and hit a

guardrail causing extensive damage to the vehicle. No injuries were sustained at the accident scene.

There were 48 traffic citations issued this past week; only two on B-50 compared to the previous week's 10. The security forces vehicle non-operation section also issued 36 citations for abandoned vehicles. It only takes 5-10 minutes to register a car non-operational, and it's free. By doing so, people avoid receiving a citation and having their vehicle towed (at the owner's expense) to the junkyard.

People who know of an abandoned vehicle are asked to report it by calling Airman 1st Class Brian Morgan at 452-7843.

Here's a tip to stay alive --

**Buckle your seatbelt and don't drink and drive.
Call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 452-2233.**

Bitburg Annex switches to match Spang phone prefix

By Master Sgt. Michael Crain
52nd Communications Squadron

All military phones numbers and prefixes change for the Bitburg Annex at 5 p.m. April 6, except for the medical group.

Although the 52nd Medical Group will use the new DSN prefix, 452, the group's commercial city code will remain the same at 0656169.

The move coincides with Spangdahlem Air Base's recent telephone switch upgrade and is part of the continued effort to enhance communications quality in the Eifel region.

Unlike Spangdahlem AB's upgrade, the Bitburg Annex upgrade results in significant changes to all annex military phone lines. Specifically, all Bitburg military office

numbers change, whether the number is dialed via military or commercial phone.

The following is a list of key numbers.

Commercial

- Fire, 2117
- Police, 06565-61114
- Ambulance, 19222

DSN

- Fire, 117
- Police, 114
- Ambulance, 115

Base communications officials suggest all Bitburg Annex residents and workers to have access to a commercial phone

5-6 p.m. April 6 as a temporary outage of military phone service will take place during the switch.

With the switch, Bitburg Annex prefixes and city code change to match Spangdahlem AB's DSN 452 and commercial 0656561.

Bitburg Annex military family housing private commercial service numbers will not change.

People who have trouble calling out using the 452 or 06565 prefixes after 6 p.m. April 6 or are unsure of a specific number change should call the base operator at 452-1110 or 0656561-113.

For details, call 452-5960 or Master Sgt. Kristine Woods at 452-6000.

Briefs

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■ John Tushner, 52nd Component Repair Squadron

Other wing graduates include senior master sergeants:

■ George Johnston, NATO Allied Forces North

■ Michael Murray, 606th Air Control Squadron

■ Dolores Witt, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron

■ Christopher Jacobsen, 22nd Fighter Squadron

Master sergeants:

■ Steven Harding, 52nd EMS

■ Michael Mayfield, NATO AWACS element, NATO Air Base, Geilenkirchen

■ Joseph Schmucker, 52nd Operations Group

■ John Steele, 52nd Transportation Squadron

Boiler replacement

Beginning at 9 a.m. Monday through about 3 p.m. Wednesday, hot water and heat

will be turned off in certain Spangdahlem Air Base housing facilities. The work takes place in three phases so all housing units wouldn't be affected at the same time.

The three phases take place as follows:

■ Monday, buildings 401, 408, 424, 425, 443 and 457.

■ Tuesday, buildings 409, 413, 417, 420 and 458.

■ Wednesday, buildings 400, 414, 415, 416, 421, 422, 423, 426, 427, 430, 437 and 459.

Call Reinhard Morsch at 452-7214 or Klaus Urnes at 452-6096 for details.

Finance closure

Wing finance closes at 10 a.m. Wednesday for an official function. Call 0171-3342858 for emergencies.

Motorcycle safety

A motorcycle safety briefing takes place at 7:45 a.m. Monday in the Spangdahlem Air Base Skyline theater. Attendance is mandatory for all licensed motorcycle and moped operators. Call the 52nd Fighter Wing Safety Office at 452-7233 or 452-

6543 for details.

Earth week

The Earth Week working group meets at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Spangdahlem Air Base building 127. Call Wendee Raos-Marconi at 452-6082 for details.

Top-Three meeting

The Spangdahlem Air Base Top Three council meets at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Saber Club. All senior NCOs and master sergeant selects are encouraged to attend. Call Master Sgt. Dennis Cox at 452-8365 for details.

Clinic closure

The family practice clinic, including immunizations and out-patient records, and the Spangdahlem Air Base and Bitburg Annex pharmacies close 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday for readiness training. Call 453-3300 for details.

Also, all base medical out-patient clinics, including pharmacies, laboratories, radiology labs and the immunization clinic close at 3 p.m. April 20 for training.

Non-emergency patients should call the 52nd Medical Group nurse triage line at 0800-825-1600 or the primary care manager line at 453-3444 concerning medical questions that day.

Family support center closure

The Spangdahlem Air Base Family Support Center closes April 6-9 for renovation. Base members can visit the Bitburg Annex Family Support Center located in building 2001 or call 453-7491 for more information.

Load crew competition

The 52nd Fighter Wing weapons load crew of the quarter competition starts at 8:30 a.m. April 6 in Hangar 1, building 35. An awards ceremony follows at 4 p.m. Call Tech. Sgt. Todd Kenny at 452-6273 for more information.

Bank closures

Community Bank closes April 13-14 and 16 for the Easter holidays. Call the bank at 06565-4142 for details.

Supply troop takes Air Force, comedy seriously

Temporary wing loss makes TOPS IN BLUE gain

By Senior Airman Jennifer Lindsey
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

His road to stardom started out as a morale booster, making people laugh, during a less-than-perfect assignment at Cannon Air Force Base, N.M. and continues with a TOPS IN BLUE tour for Staff Sgt. Walter Campbell.

The 52nd Supply Squadron member begins a one-year tour with the Air Force's premier entertainment team starting Saturday.

"Some people here think it's going to be a year vacation for me, but it's not," Campbell said. "I've been told most days it's 15 hours of rehearsals — dance and sing, dance and sing, and learning how to set up and break down the equipment. A lot of logistics, learning how to work a forklift — thank God I'm in supply so I at least have that advantage."

It shouldn't take Campbell long before he begins making the best of a tough assignment. Making light of a situation comes naturally. That's how he discovered and developed his talent.

"I didn't like Cannon and neither did a

bunch of other people who were stationed there," Campbell recalled. "But I found I felt better about being there when I made people laugh when they were having a bad day."

From there, it was onto the comedy scene, working in the evenings as a comedy show host. It offered him the chance to learn how to work a crowd. It also provided Campbell a chance to work with professional comedians. Before long, comedian Shang Forbes took Campbell under his wing and coached him, polishing Campbell's stage presence and helping him develop a comedy act.

After a month of practice Campbell had his first show, which was in Lubbock, Texas.

"I was booed off the stage within two minutes," he said. "The fall made me decide if I really wanted to be a part of the comedy scene or not."

After a month of practice and polishing his act, Campbell returned to the stage — the same stage from which he was shooed off, and received a standing ovation.

"Comedy's tough," Campbell said. "At some point, you're going to bomb and



Senior Airman Jennifer Lindsey
Staff Sgt. Walter Campbell, 52nd Supply Squadron, coaches his former supervisor, Staff Sgt. Catherine Bayley, through a computer program.

everyone has a bad night. The key is you've got to know your stuff and connect with the crowd."

In the six years Campbell has performed, he said he continually learns and improves as a performer and as an airman.

"One of the hardest things to learn is to know when to shut it off," Campbell said. "At first you start out funny, but after a while you just become silly. Friends will laugh along with you because they know you, but when you're on the stage the audience doesn't know you and they don't care. They came there to be entertained and they will tell you to get off the stage in a heartbeat."

Staff Sgt. Catherine Bayley, Campbell's supervisor before his TOPS IN BLUE audition and acceptance, said she believes Campbell is a top performer on the job and on stage.

"He's a good representative of the Air Force," she said. "He's going to be missed."

"For some time, I didn't know he was a comedian because he's so professional on the job. He only jokes when it's necessary to keep up the morale."

Campbell said he feeds off of the energy knowing he's raising other people's spirits through his talent.

"It's a gift. There's no way around that. I thoroughly enjoy making people happy and raising their morale on the job or the stage," he said.

AFOSI: Air Force-brand 'FBI' provides force protection through counterintelligence, criminal investigation

By 1st Lt. Angela Johnson
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

Air Force-brand FBI-like agents contend with much more than high-profile fugitive and drug cases.

In fact, the Air Force Office of Special Investigations has multiple missions, according to Special Agent Dana Moss, AFOSI Det. 518.

"We provide the counterintelligence leg of force protection for the base, whether it be on a deployment or giving briefings to people going TDY to foreign countries," said Moss. "We also investigate major crimes, protect technology and investigate fraud in the Air Force."

"OSI is similar to the FBI, it's just that we simply investigate anything related to the Air Force. If a major crime is committed by or against an Air Force member, we get involved."

As a tenant unit, Spangdahlem AB's OSI members don't fall under the 52nd Fighter Wing, which prevents even the perception of base command influence.

"We have our own commander and our headquarters is at Andrews Air Force Base in Washington D.C.," said Moss. "However, we support the base and interact a lot with the general here and try to meet his needs."

Along with supporting the commander in the areas of criminal investigations, OSI personnel also support the wing when it deploys.

"Agents go in before a deployment to assess the area and establish contacts to determine if it is safe for our troops," said Moss. "They also provide constant updates on threat information for the deployed commander to base force protection decisions on."

Often an OSI agent, especially one stationed overseas, is required to work with foreign government officials and agencies.

"At Spangdahlem, we work closely with the German authorities, because a lot of things happen off base. We don't have authority over military members who live off base, so in those instances, the Polizei join us when we need to speak with people off base," said Moss.



1st Lt. Angela Johnson
Dewayne Butler, Office of Special Investigations joint drug enforcement team narcotics investigator, practices fingerprinting techniques on Special Agent Dana Moss, OSI criminal investigations, during office training.

"We also do things such as border controls with customs," said Dewayne Butler, a narcotics investigator on the Joint Drug Enforcement Team. "I work with German customs officials doing border checks to identify people using or transporting illegal narcotics in or out of Germany."

For those interested in working as an OSI agent, the agents here are always willing to help with the process.

"At Spangdahlem you can talk to myself or the

detachment chief," said Moss. "There are tests you have to take and an interview to be done. Once your package is sent up and you are nominated, you have to go through the U.S. Air Force Special Investigation Academy, which is also at Andrews."

"It's an 11-week course which is basically likened to the FBI academy. Once that is done you go to your detachment and you are what's called a 'probationary agent' for 12 months where you get exposed to everything that OSI does."

According to Moss, members can make the switch into OSI after your window is open for cross training.

To be eligible for OSI duty, a special-duty assignment, a person needs to be an officer, a senior airman or higher, or a civilian with a college degree. Once a person becomes an OSI agent, their rank is protected.

"Our rank is protected so it cannot be used in an interview sense," said Moss. "Say for instance our rank is higher than the person we are interviewing, we don't want to use it as leverage to get them to talk to us, and the other way around. We don't want rank to be an issue at all or an intimidation factor. Our rank and authority is that of Special Agent."

Civilian clothes are worn for nearly the same reasons they don't use their rank.

"The uniform portrays a sense of authority anyway and we want it to be an unthreatening situation," said Moss.

OSI is more than civilian clothes and no rank, however. The organization is involved in every aspect of the base. One thing they offer for the whole Eifel community is an unclassified country brief.

"We have folders of information for every country," said Moss. "Anyone going on leave can request the unclassified country brief."

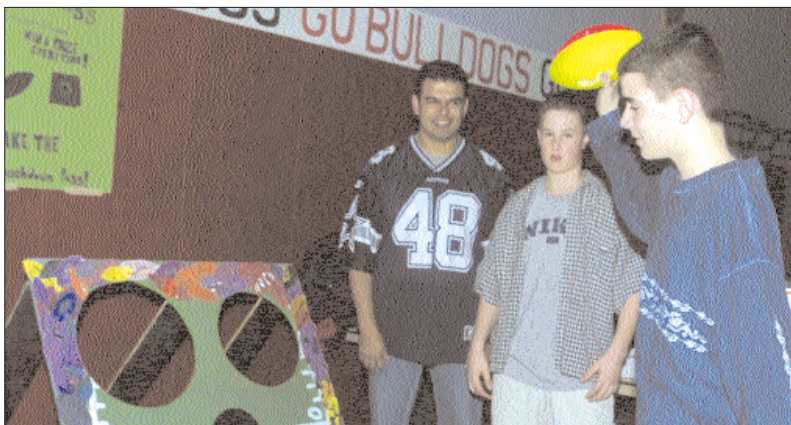
To find out more information about joining OSI or to request a country brief, call the OSI office at 452-6291. Also, people can visit the OSI link on the Spangdahlem Air Base intranet site at <http://intranet/52tenant/osi> for more information.

Spangdahlem Middle School Bulldog County Fair happenins'

Members of the Pacific Treasures performance group move to the song "Kauluwehiokekai" at the Bulldog County Fair March 23. The fair, which was open to the Eifel military community, featured dance performances, a "crazy" fashion show and an auction.



Photos by Airman 1st Class Michelle Roquid



Tyson Cickles, 12, plays "Touch Down Toss" at the fair.

Eifel 105.1 AFN

"The Station Just For You!"

AFN Eifel is considering program changes for its afternoon radio show on 105.1 FM.

They would like to hear what people have to say about AFN radio programming.

Currently, the local afternoon show airs 3-6 p.m. weekdays. It's a rock-based program with a pop mix. They'd like to hear suggestions on the type of music Eifel 105.1 listeners would like to hear.

Listeners can log onto the base intranet for questions at <http://intranet.spangdahlem.af.mil>, click on "Tenants."

Respond by April 13.

Send inputs and any other comments via e-mail to afn.eifel@spangdahlem.af.mil, or fax them to DSN 453-9810, commercial 06561-61-9810, or mail them to Det 9 AFNEWS/BGOR, Unit 1220, APO AE 09126-1220.

Spangdahlem/Bitburg will also be part of an American Forces Network survey conducted by the civilian research firm of Frank Magid & Associates, Inc., later this year.

This will give an opportunity to affect changes in the radio and television programs received on satellite distribution services from the American Forces Radio & Television Service Broadcast Center in Riverside, Calif.

Spang celebrates military child month

April activities focus on enhancing closer parent-child connection

By Michele Linnen
52nd Medical Group Family Advocacy Outreach

The Air Force has designated April as Month of the Military Child. This month provides community members the opportunity to give special recognition to our children.

In their honor, Eifel Community Connection sponsors special events and activities throughout April. The month's events Monday in the base schools.

Abuse prevention

April is also National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Throughout the month, people should take the time to increase their knowledge of child abuse and neglect, and how it can be prevented. Adults, regardless if they have children of their own, are responsible for ensuring all children are protected from abuse and neglect.

There are many ways adults physically neglect children. Denying a child of medical care, shelter, appropriate clothes or education are all types of neglect. Physical neglect is more common than physical abuse. Also, the use of belts, sticks, or any object used as a way to 'discipline' the child is strictly against Air Force policy.

Nurturing relationships

More recent discussion has been raised about the

emotional neglect of America's children. In the Air Force, serious cases of sexual or physical abuse or neglect are rare. However, as a consequence of rapid changes in American social and cultural life, many children receive less nurturing and guidance from the adults.

Children and teens need, and want, boundaries. Setting age- and child-appropriate boundaries provides children with a sense of security — the building block for developing loving, emotionally and psychologically healthy adults.

Support services

If the demands of parenting become too stressful, the Air Force offers many support services to help guide the family through challenging times.

Family advocacy can also provide material and courses on child development and parenting skills to help adults nurture healthy relationships. How adults talk to children, and how adults talk to each other, lets children know how invested adults are in their emotional welfare.

Because healthy children develop from healthy adult relationships, it's important, for parents and other adults to come together and share in their nurturing. As a team, the Eifel community can provide the special recognition children deserve as they develop into future adults and parents.

Military child month activities

The 52nd Medical Group Family Advocacy Outreach sponsors the following programs, promoting family health, safety and togetherness:

■ Car seat safety class at 3-5 p.m. Tuesday in the Spangdahlem Air Base and Bitburg Annex Child Development Centers. Call Dee Lorenzen at 453-7012 for details.

■ Latch-key family safety at 3-5 p.m. Wednesday in Bitburg Annex building 2001. Call Michele Venzke at 453-7491 for details.

■ Alone at home workshop 3-5 p.m. Wednesday Bitburg Annex building 2001. Call Michele Venzke at 453-7491 for details.

■ Egg hunt at 10:30-11 a.m.; Kid's Jubilee at 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Hunkta Bunkta musical at 2-3 p.m. April 7 in the Bitburg Middle School gymnasium. Call Suzanne Furman at 453-8279 for details.

■ Armed Forces Network Radio Morning Show talks about military child and child abuse prevention month at 7-7:15 a.m. April 11.

■ Take your child to work day, April 11, maximum office visit of four hours. Coordinate visits with unit supervisors.

■ U.S. Air Forces in Europe regional youth talent show at 7 p.m. April 13 in the Spangdahlem Air Base Community Activities Center.

Call 452-7381 for details.

■ Free children's showing of "The Emperor's New Groove" at noon April 14 in the Bitburg Castle Theater. Call Michele Linnen at 453-3128 for details.

■ Kelly Bear reading at 9-10 a.m. April 18 at the Bitburg Annex CDC and 9-10 a.m. April 19 at the Spangdahlem Air Base Child Development Center. Call Jean Butel at 452-8299 for details.

■ Pre-school carnival at 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 28 next to Bitburg Annex building 2001. Call Dee Lorenzen at 453-7012 for details.

Export ban impacts commissary fresh milk supplies

DeCA-Europe changes dairy distributors after foot, mouth disease spreads to the Netherlands

By Gerri Young
Defense Commissary Agency – Europe
Public Affairs Office

In reaction to the outbreak of foot and mouth disease in the Netherlands, the European Union and the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture have levied a ban on export of all veterinary and veterinary-related products.

The ban began March 22 and is expected to remain until at least Wednesday and affects fresh milk supplied to Defense Commissary Agency, Europe, commissaries.

Commissary officials want to reassure their customers the ban won't have a major or lasting impact on milk supplies at their stores.

Milk previously supplied by the Campina Company in Holland will now be supplied by Danish Butter Export in Denmark and Stainach Dairy in Austria. Changes to the contracts were made within hours after the ban was levied.

"There's no need to stockpile milk," said Jim Clark, Defense Commissary Agency-

Europe, operations business area chief. "The fresh milk supply in our commissaries is expected to continue at high levels. In addition to fresh milk, our stores carry shelf-stable UHT milk and powdered milk.

"All our fresh milk comes from veterinary approved dairies which undergo strict inspections by military veterinary personnel."

According to veterinary and medical experts, foot and mouth disease isn't a threat to public health nor to the human

food supply. Transportation of meat and dairy products, however, could contribute to the spread of the disease which is highly contagious for animals. The only human cases of this disease have been extremely rare and restricted to farm workers with close daily contact with infected animals.

Officials at region headquarters are closely monitoring the foot and mouth disease situation and will continue to make adjustments as necessary in response to any further developments.



Community Mailbox

School news

■Bitburg Annex and Spangdahlem Air Base schools close for teacher workdays and spring break April 6-15.

■Bitburg Elementary School needs volunteers to help with its spring carnival taking place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 19. Call Pamela Troester at 06561-604759 or 452-5444 for details or to sign up.

■Spangdahlem Elementary School seeks lunchroom monitors. Call Leslie North at 452-6170 or 452-6022 for details.

■The Spangdahlem Middle School drama club presents "James and the Giant Peach" at 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the school gymnasium.

■A Spangdahlem Middle School spaghetti dinner and parenting workshop takes place April 17. Dinner takes place 5:30-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$3.50 per plate. The free workshop about promoting self-esteem in children takes place 6:30-7:30 p.m. On-site childcare is available. Call 452-7205 for details.

Spring fashions

The Spangdahlem Air Base Main Exchange spring fashion show takes place 2-3 p.m. April 7. Call 452-7017 for details.

Library news

■National Library Week takes place Sunday through April 7. Special daily activities for children and an adult book giveaway take place. Call for details.

■The Armed Services YMCA essay contest submission deadline is April 9. Children of military or Defense Department civilian employees qualify to write about a book, author or other reading-related subjects. Prizes include U.S. savings bonds



Airman 1st Class Michelle Roquid

Singles dinner

Senior Airman Tommy Childers, left, and Airman 1st Class Mario Ochoa of the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron gets salad at the single airman's dinner March 22 at the Spangdahlem Air Base Chapel. The chapel dinners take place the fourth Thursday of each month. Call 452-6711 for more information.

up to \$1,000 in value. Call the Spangdahlem Air Base Library for details.

Call the Spangdahlem AB Library at 452-6203 or Bitburg Annex at 453-7056 for details.

Mainz trip

An all ranks, unaccompanied airmen trip to Mainz, Germany, takes place April 7. Members must be single or unaccompanied and working in a shop supporting members deployed or TDY in excess of 30 continuous days.

Departure time is 7 a.m. and estimated return time is 9 p.m. Trip includes transportation only. Call the family support center at 452-6422 for details.

School registration

Base school registration takes place in April. Parents registering students for the first time should bring the child's birth certificate or passport; sponsor's orders, including amendments; child's social security numbers; parent's ID card, emergency contact information and shot records.

Registration takes place on the following dates based on the student's last name or grade:

Bitburg Elementary School

Call 453-7542 for details.

■A-L, 8-11 a.m. and 1:30-3 p.m. April 16-20

■M-Z, 8-11 a.m. and 1:30-3 p.m. April 23-27

Bitburg Middle School

Call 453-7106 for more information.

■Students entering fifth grade, 8-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. April 9

■For sixth grade, 8-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. April 10

■For seventh grade, 8-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. April 11

■For eighth grade, 8-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. April 12

■Open registration takes place 8-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. April 13

Spangdahlem Elementary School

Call 452-6881 for more information.

■A-E, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. April 16

■F-K, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. April 17

■L-P, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. April 18

■Q-T, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. April 19

■U-Z, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. April 20

Students entering ninth grade Bitburg High School register at 6:30 p.m. April 18. Call 453-7937 for more information.

Spangdahlem Middle School registration takes place May 8-9. Call 452-7255 for more information.

Family support center news

The following classes take place in building 307 on Spangdahlem Air Base. Call 452-6422 for details or to register.

■Deployment briefings, 8-9 a.m. Tuesday, April 10, 17 and 24.

■Sponsorship training, 3-4 p.m. Thursday and April 19.

■Four-session German culture and language workshop, 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, April 10 and 12.

The following class takes place in building 2001 on the Bitburg Annex. Call 453-7491 for details or to register.

■Local employment workshop, 1-3 p.m. Thursday.

■Deployment briefings, 8-9 a.m. Wednesday, April 11, 18 and 25.

Movies

All movies play at 7 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Bitburg Castle

Tonight

Sweet November (PG-13)

Based on a 1968 romantic comedy, Nelson is completely involved in himself. Then, he meets Charlize who engages him in a game with simple rules: No questions; no holding back; and absolutely no more than one month together.

Saturday

Sweet November

Sunday

What Women Want (PG-13)

Nick gets a whole new outlook on life when a fluke accident gives him the ability to read women's minds. Despite his best efforts, he finds himself falling in love and ultimately understanding what women want.

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday

Wes Craven Presents: Dracula 2000 (R)

Dracula, freed at last from a century in confinement, finds himself in the 21st century with chaos, temptation and nightclubs where he fits right in. His goal is to find a young woman to share his dark legacy. (Violence, gore, language and sexuality.)

Thursday

All The Pretty Horses (PG-13)

The tale of a young Texan named John Grady Cole, who finds himself without a home after his mother sells the ranch. Lured by the romance of the cowboy life and the promise of a fresh start, Cole and his best friend embark on the adventure they've always dreamed about. (Violence and sexuality.)

Spangdahlem Skyline

Tonight

3,000 Miles To Graceland (R)

A group of ex-cons plan to rob a Las Vegas casino during an Elvis-impersonator convention, which serves as cover. (Strong violence, sexuality and language.)

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A Hard Day's Night (G, 4 p.m.)

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Monday

Double Take (PG-13)

Tuesday

Thirteen Days (PG-13)

This film is set during the two-week Cuban missile crisis in October 1962, and it centers on how President John F. Kennedy, Attorney General Robert Kennedy and others handled the explosive situation.

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Times and movies are subject to change.
For the most current information,
call 453-7541.

Trier Antiquity Festival features ancient Roman-style attractions

By Iris Reiff
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Although spring has just begun, it's time to make plans to attend Trier's annual classical theater performances, honoring the city's past as the ancient capital of the Western Roman Empire.

The event, featuring open-air performances in unique venues at the Porta Nigra, where the amphitheater and the imperial baths are well-known throughout the Eifel region. Past festivals have attracted more than 30,000 visitors.

Highlights of this year's festival include the opera "L'Orfeo" by Claudio Monteverdi at 9 p.m. June 29-30 and July 1, 4, 6-8 at the imperial baths. Ticket prices range from 60 to 100 DM, plus a 10 percent advanced-sales surcharge. The operetta "Orpheus in the Underworld" by Jacques Offenbach performs at 9 p.m. July 11-15 at the imperial baths. Ticket prices range from 50 to 90 DM, plus a 10 percent advanced-sales surcharge.

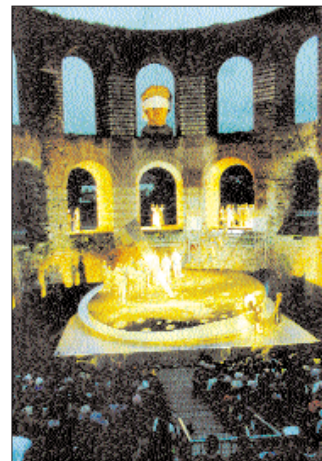
The tragedy "Medea" by Euripides

performs at 9 p.m. July 19 and 21-22 at the imperial baths. Ticket prices range from 40 to 80 DM, plus a 10 percent advanced-sales surcharge.

A festive concert by the Orchestra Philharmonique du Luxembourg takes place at 9 p.m. June 27 at Trier's Europa Halle. Concert ticket prices range from 40 to 80 DM, plus a 10 percent advanced-sales surcharge.

Another popular festival attraction is the Antiquity Wine Probe, featuring ancient Roman food, wines and entertainment. The event takes place at 7 p.m. June 28. Seats to the wine probe and opening ceremonies are limited and reservations should be made immediately. Call 0651-710280 for details.

Upon request, groups of 25 people and more may qualify for festival price reductions or package offers, including accommodations, a city walking tour, a group wine tasting and a tour organizer. Call 0651-42425 or 42426 for details and to make reservations for an event.



Courtesy photo

A view of a play during the Trier Antiquity Festival at the imperial baths.



Out and about



■Visit a flea market Sunday in Dreys hall located in Dreis, in the Bernkastel-Kues town center, on Trier-West Hornstrasse, in front of the Gerolstein Hit Markt and on the Idar-Oberstein Festplatz fair grounds.

■People interested in playing paintball games Saturday should contact Morgan Bowker at 06568-93063.

■Eifel Wanderers meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Zum Stein Gasthaus in Metterich. Call 06569-963184 or 06575-959425 for details.

■"Magic Of The Dance" tap show takes place Wednesday in the Bitburg Edith-Stein school. For tickets, call 0651-145990.

■Enjoy the Olgam Miksche Art Collegium international show, featuring art by Alexandra Harris, Albert Enock,

Jacques Feron, Jacki Colson and Hans-Dieter Mues, through April 8 in the Bitburg Beda Haus cultural center.

■Enjoy ska and punk by Mad Caddies and Fabulous Disaster at 8 p.m. April 11 in the Trier Excellenzhaus.

■Listen to a first-class mixture of rock, pop and blues music by Thomas Schwab & Band at 8 p.m. April 19 in the Bernkastel-Kues Gueter hall, at 8 p.m. April 20 in the Wittlich Synagogue, at 8 p.m. April 21 in the Bitburg Beda Haus cultural center, at 8 p.m. May 2 in the Trier Tufa cultural center and at 8 p.m. May 6 in the Schweich Synagogue. Additional concerts take place outside the local area. For details or to reserve a ticket, call 06531-94407.

■See Guns n' Roses, Limp Bizkit, Radiohead, Tool, Papa Roach, A-Ha, Him, Echt, Reamonn, Samy Deluxe, 3

Doors Down, K'S Choice, Thumb, Blumfeld, The Divine Comedy, Jimmy Eat World, Donots, Blackmail and Anastacia perform at the 2001 Rock at the Ring open air festival June 1-3 at the Nuerburgring race track. For tickets, call 069-9443660 or 01805-607070. Visit www.Rock-Am-Ring.de or www.Rock-Im-Park.de for details.

■Rock music by Subway to Sally plays April 20 in the Berufsbildende Schulen school auditorium. For details, call 0651-145990.

■People interested in joining a Linux users group based in Geilenkirchen should contact Chris Bragg at chris@gklug.org or visit the group's site at <http://gklug.org>.

■Trier's annual wine and gourmet festival takes place today through April 8. For details, visit the German language

Web site at www.wein-festival.de.

■See the Schwab Ensemble performing ballads at 8 p.m. April 21 in the Bitburg Beda House cultural center. Tickets are 35 DM and are available by calling 06561-6001-144 or 145.

■See "Evita," a musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber, April 21 in Trier. For details, call 0651-145990.

■Reserve tickets for the German Bundeswehr military corps concert April 28 in the Hettendorf Zirkuszelt. For details, call 0651-145990.

■A rock concert featuring Hexenrock in Hettendorf with Fury in the Slaughterhouse, Kon Chauvi, Snail's House and Life takes place at 7 p.m. April 30 in the Hettendorf Zirkuszelt. For details, call 06781-3421 or 06781-33247.

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The Landscheid community annual spring bazaar takes place 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday inside and outside the local Eifelland hall.

More than 100 vendors show their skills and merchandise, ranging from household goods to hand-made gifts, including Easter art, jewelry, flower arrangements and more.

The bazaar also features a raffle at 5 p.m. Sunday. Prizes include two tickets for the

European Formula One race at the Nuerburgring racetrack, a bicycle, a color television and more.

Traditional German snacks, cakes, French crepes and other sweets will be available for purchase. Small children can enjoy a ride on a carousel and other amusements.

Proceeds from the bazaar go toward medical costs for the care of 18-year-old Tobias Kranz who is in a coma. All donations, regardless of amount, will be accepted.



Alexander Thiesen

Visitors look at an old-fashioned European sales cart at the Landscheid bazaar.